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CONTROL"

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of October 10, 2002, regarding the above-identified U.S. patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application.

Please cancel Claims 10 and 12 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend Claims 1, 9 and 11 as follows:

1. (Amended) An apparatus for controlling at least one park brake in a vehicle, comprising:

an electric switch assembly;

a pressure switch subassembly communicating with said electric switch assembly, said pressure switch subassembly being associated with at least first and second states, said pressure switch subassembly being in said first state when at least a threshold pressure is detected and said pressure switch subassembly being in said second state when less than said threshold pressure is detected, wherein said pressure switch subassembly directly controls independently of any processor